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AMENDMENT

Remarks

Claims 34 and 36-60 are pending in the application.

The Examiner has withdrawn all previous grounds for rejection that were asserted in the Office Action of May 7, 2003 in view of Applicants response of October 6, 2003.

The Examiner has now asserted, as the sole basis for rejection, the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting, based upon U.S. Patent No. 6,348,272, which are commonly owned by the assignee of the present application. Applicants are submitting a terminal disclaimer, which is believed sufficient to overcome the Examiner's remaining rejections with respect to double patenting.

Applicants submit that the application is now in a condition for allowance. Favorable action is therefore respectfully requested.

If any extension of time is believed necessary, such extension is hereby by requested. If any fees are deemed necessary for the continued prosecution of the present application, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge them to Deposit Account No. 50-1899.

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